

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE

September 5, 2006

September is National Preparedness Month, which is sponsored by the U. S. Department of Homeland Security. The goal of this campaign is to increase public awareness, to promote the importance of preparing for emergencies, and to encourage individuals to take action. This Board has continued to demonstrate its commitment to emergency preparedness by supporting the County's acclaimed Emergency Survival Program (ESP). This education campaign provides a wealth of valuable information and encourages the public to prepare for earthquakes, tsunamis, terrorism and other emergencies by taking a different preparedness action each month of the year. The Board of Supervisors, therefore, supports the U. S. Department of Homeland Security's September National Preparedness Month campaign and encourages all employees, residents, neighborhood organizations, businesses and schools to take advantage of the information available to them to increase their knowledge and awareness of emergency preparedness.

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I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors designate the month of September 2006 as "COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH" in conjunction with the U. S. Department of Homeland Security; encourage residents to visit the County's Emergency Survival Program (ESP) website at www.espfocus.org for valuable emergency preparedness tips; urge all County departments to participate in emergency preparedness activities throughout the month of September and the remainder of the year; encourage the mayors of each city in Los Angeles County to demonstrate their support for this important public education campaign; and ensure that a copy of the proclamation is sent to the Governor of the State of California and to the U. S. Department of Homeland Security.

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